



SDPD END TO USE OF CAROTID RESTRAINT PRAISED

Activists call move a big win, but say more reform needed

BY TERI FIGUEROA

Local activists on Tuesday applauded the decision to end the use of a neck hold known as the carotid restraint by San Diego Police Department officers, calling it a huge win but saying there is much more to be done to reform policing.

San Diego police Chief David Nisleit said Monday that, effective immediately, his department would no longer use the controversial restraint, which has been banned or restricted by other large departments across the country.

The policy change came after a week of protests and riots locally and nationally following the death of George Floyd, a black man who was in handcuffs and pleading that he could not breathe as a Minneapolis police officer kept a knee on Floyd's neck for several minutes. The incident was caught on video.

San Diego, like cities across the nation, has seen days of demonstrations decrying police mistreatment of people of color, and some of the afternoon protests last weekend turned riotous after dark.

The announcement of the policy change came as a welcome surprise for

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A crowd gathers Tuesday for a demonstration at the San Diego Concourse outside the Civic Center downtown.

HUNDREDS GATHER FOR PEACEFUL S.D. MARCH

For a fifth day, protesters call for police reform, social justice in rallies around county

BY GREG MORAN & ANDREA LOPEZ-VILLAFANA

A crowd of several hundred people calling for police reform and racial justice marched peacefully through downtown San Diego and into Balboa Park Tuesday afternoon, the fifth straight day residents have taken to the streets.

The march began in the early afternoon and was organized by SD Peaceful Protests, and wound its way through downtown before ending up on the grassy strip of Balboa Park

along Sixth Avenue near Laurel Street.

There, demonstrators listened to speeches and spread out on the lawn, heeding the advice of organizers to observe social distancing as much as possible. The marchers then left the park and joined up with a second group of hundreds more demonstrators, ending up at the San Diego County Administration Center.

At 6 p.m. they again decamped and were marching toward San Diego City Hall. By a little after 7:30 p.m., the group

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had walked back to the San Diego County Administration Center, where organizers led the group in protest songs.

By about 8 p.m., the demonstration ended and the crowd began to disperse.

Meanwhile San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer said at an afternoon news conference that two groups that oversee police conduct in the city will each hold emergency meetings this week to discuss introducing de-escalation policies in the department.

Sharmaine Mosley, the executive director of the Community Review Board on Police Practices, said that group will meet Thursday evening to discuss asking the department to adopt a de-escalation program similar

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FAMILY OF WOMAN HURT IN PROTEST CONDEMNS RESPONSE

La Mesan struck in head by an apparent bean-bag round

BY DAVID HERNANDEZ

Frustrated by what she said were too many killings by police, Leslie Furcon was live on Facebook when she was shot in her forehead with what appeared to be a bean-bag round during Saturday's protest outside the La Mesa police station.

The La Mesa resident, a 59-year-old black woman and mother of four, had joined the protest about five minutes earlier as dusk approached.

On Tuesday, her family said she had came out of a medically induced coma and was intubated, showing signs of recovery during her hospitalization in an ICU.

The shot to her head, also captured in other videos and photos that went viral, has become a case in point for community members who have decried at-times aggressive police tactics used to control local protests in the wake of last week's in-custody death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

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DEMONSTRATORS RETURN TO THE STREETS

Curfews, president's threats fail to deter protesters nationwide

BY ZEKE MILLER & TIM SULLIVAN

WASHINGTON

Undeterred by curfews, protesters streamed back into the nation's streets Tuesday, hours after President Donald Trump pressed governors to put down the violence set off by George Floyd's death and demanded that New York call up the National Guard to stop the "lowlifes and losers."

As more demonstrations began taking shape around the country, and cities including

Washington prepared for the possibility of more violence, the president amplified his hard-line calls of a day earlier, in which he threatened to send in the military to restore order if governors didn't do it.

"NYC, CALL UP THE NATIONAL GUARD," he tweeted. "The lowlifes and losers are ripping you apart. Act fast!"

One day after a crackdown on peaceful protesters near the White House, thousands of demonstrators massed a block away from the presidential mansion, facing law enforcement personnel standing behind a black chain-link fence. The fence was put up overnight to block access to Lafayette Park, just across the street from the

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MADDIE MEYER GETTY IMAGES

Demonstrators attend a protest Tuesday organized by Black Lives Matter in Boston. Protests calling for an end to police brutality have spread across cities in the U.S.

COUNTY TO ASK FOR MORE REOPENING CONTROL

Supervisors to send letter to Newsom, also extend eviction ban; sitting on beach allowed

BY MORGAN COOK & PAUL SISSON

For months, county leaders have largely waited for the governor to sign off on reopening local businesses and activities, but supervisors pushed for greater local control Tuesday.

On a 4-1 vote, with Supervisor Nathan Fletcher in opposition, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors approved sending a letter to Gov. Gavin Newsom, asking for the authority to set the pace of community reinvigoration on their own.

The decision came as a new level of freedom appeared on local beaches.

For the first time in months, people were allowed to lay on the sand, though hazy skies and cold water seemed to

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Talitha Price plays cards with her godson Mannix Lewis, 11, at Pacific Beach on the first day sitting on the sand was allowed.

S.D. COUNCIL OKs RENT RELIEF PROGRAM, BUT FUNDING STILL AN ISSUE

Councilman wants \$61.9M from CARES Act for his proposal

BY PHILLIP MOLNAR

San Diego City Council approved the creation of a rent relief fund Tuesday that could potentially help thousands of out-of-work renters.

The council unanimously approved the fund, saying renters likely owe thousands of dollars because of economic woes from COVID-19, and could be at risk of eviction because of rent not paid

during the crisis. However, exactly how much will be in the fund and where the money will come from will take several weeks to hammer out.

City budget hearings are scheduled for next week and whatever comes out of that discussion will ultimately have to be approved by Mayor Kevin Faulconer, as well as a second vote by the council. Creation of the fund was proposed by Councilman Chris Ward who put the price tag at \$61.9 million.

He suggested money for the program come from \$248 million given to the city

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FOOD

BREAKFAST FOR DINNER

Similar to huevos rancheros, shakshuka is a sweet and slightly spicy braise of tomatoes and spices. **E1**

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